persuaded the Earl that he should be sent to release the Councillors and to go with them to the Queen to intercede for a pardon, for as yet no blood was spilt and the citizens* minds still uncertain The Earl consented that the Lord Chief Justice Popham should be released, but none else

And now the Earl thinking to return home found a chain drawn across the street near the west gate of Paul's , and both pikes and musketeers placed against him by the care of the Bishop of London, under the command of Sir John Leveson Hereupon the Earl drew his sword and commanded Sir Christopher Blount to set upon them, which he resolutely performed, falling fiercely upon one Waite whom he slew, but being himself sore wounded and taken prisoner Here is also slain by the shot young Mr Henry Tracy and one or two citizens Being thus repulsed, his hat shot through, and many more slipping away from him, the Earl turned aside with some few which would not leave him to Queenhithe, and there getting boats returned home to his own house

On his return, he found that all the Councillors had been released He therefore broke open a casket that was in the house and burnt divers papers and a book, observing that they should tell no tales to hurt his friends, and likewise a black bag that he wore about his neck

The Earl now prepared himself for defence, and being reduced to his last hope of expecting aid from the Londoners he fortified his house on all sides The Lord Admiral straightway besieged the house to landwards , he assigned the Earls of Cumberland and Lincoln, the Lord Thomas Howard, the Lord Grey, the Lord Burleigh, the Lord Compton, and others with forces of horse and foot, to every man his post

Then he himself with the Lord Effingham and the Lord Cobham, Sir John Stanhope, Sir Robert Sidney, and Sir Fulke Greville seized upon the garden by the Thames[5] side

Being now ready to assault the house, Sir Robert Sidney was sent to summon them to yield The Earl of Southampton asked to whom they should yield , to their adversaries * that were to run themselves headlong to rum , or to the Queen ? that were to confess themselves guilty, [e] But yet/ said he, * if the Lord Admiral will give us hostages for our security, we will appear